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Serial No. 10/766,039

Docket No.: 1538.1045

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hiroyuki HATTA, et al.

Serial No. 10/766,039

Group Art Unit: 2163

Confirmation No. 2575

Filed: January 29, 2004

Examiner: Wilson LEE

For: SEARCH PROCESSING METHOD AND APPARATUS

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 15, 2009, and having a period for response set to expire on January 15, 2010. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to February 16, 2010 (February 15, 2010 being a Federal Holiday).

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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